

# SENATE . . . . . No. 1836

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Steven A. Tolman**  
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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the commission of a crime while in possession of a police scanner.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

Steven A. Tolman

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Suffolk and Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01026 OF 2007-2008.]

## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME WHILE IN POSSESSION OF A  
POLICE SCANNER .

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority  
of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1990 Official Edition,  
2   is hereby amended by inserting after section 49 the following section:- Section 49A. Whoever,  
3   while in the commission of a crime, knowingly has in their possession a police scanner with the  
4   intent to use or employ said scanner to aid in the commission of such crime shall be punished by  
5   imprisonment in the state prison for not more than ten years or by a fine of not more than one  
6   thousand dollars and imprisonment in jail for not more than two and one-half years.